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SUBJECT: U.S. NAVAL OPERATIONS IN EASTERN MEDITERRANEAN

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1. ON AUGUST 21 I INFORMALLY CONVEYED TO HAMOUD SHOEFI, DIRECTOR OF AMERICAN AFFAIRS AT FOREIGN MINISTRY, INFORMATION THAT U.S. NAVY INTENDS TO RETURN TO PRE-OCTOBER SAILING INSTRUCTIONS WITH REGARD TO ROUTINE U.S. NAVAL OPERATIONS IN THE EASTERN MEDITERRANEAN. I TOLD SHOEFI THAT I WAS INFORMING HIM ON A COURTESY BASIS AND IN AN EFFORT TO KEEP THE SYRIAN GOVT AWARE OF WHAT THE SIXTH FLEET IS DOING IN SEAS NEAR SYRIAN TERRITORIAL WATERS. MR. SHOEFI EXPRESSED HIS APPRECIATION FOR THIS INFORMATION AND SAID HE WOULD CONVEY IT TO PROPER AUTHORITIES.

2. COMMENT: MR. SHOEFI SEEMED PLEASED WITH MY TAKING THIS INITIATIVE AND DID NOT APPEAR IN ANY WAY CONCERNED ABOUT THE INFORMATION BEING CONVEYED.
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